





#### MEAN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL VERSION

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#### Grand Ledge Musical Theatre presents



### THE MUSICAL HIGH SCHOOL VERSION

Book by Music by Lyrics by
Tina Jeff Nell
Fey Richmond Benjamin

Based on the Paramount Pictures film Mean Girls

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#### **Production Team**

Director/Choreographer/Producer	Tracy Clark*
Vocal/Pit Director	Sheri Petersen*
Assistant Director/Choreographer	Amanda Hengesbach*
Costumer	Erin Marsh*
Production Manager	Katie Westen*
Assistant Vocal Director	Kenny Bedwell*
Student Director	Jensen Price^
Technical Supervisor	Tracy Clark*
Art/Props	
Hair/Makeup Coordinator	Bethany Thelen
Front of House Coordinator	Colleen Price
Cast Meals Coordinator	
Program Designer/Photographer	Dan Rodeck
Show Photographer	
*Denotes Grand Ledge High School Teacher	

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<sup>^</sup> Denotes ITS Troupe 8943 Member

#### Act One

Mean (A Cautionary Tale)Janis, Damian
It RoarsCady, Students, Ensemble, Dancers
It Roars (Reprise)
Where Do You Belong? Damian, Janis, Cady, Students, Ensemble, Dancers
Meet the Plastics Damian, Janis, Regina, Gretchen, Karen, Cady
Stupid with Love
Apex PredatorJanis, Cady, Ensemble, Dancers
What's Wrong With Me?Gretchen
October Third
Sexy
Someone Gets HurtRegina, Aaron, Ensemble
Revenge Party Janis, Damian, Cady, Ensemble
Rockin' Around the PoleRegina, Cady, Gretchen, Karen
Fearless Gretchen, Karen, Cady, Ensemble, Dancers

#### Act Two

Mean (Reprise)Janis, Damian
Stop!Damian, Karen, Students, Dancers
What's Wrong? (Reprise)Gretchen, Mrs. George
Whose House is This?Kevin G, Cady, Karen, Gretchen, Students, Dancers, Ensemble
Whose House (Tag)Kevin G, Ensemble
More is Better
Someone Gets Hurt (Reprise)Janis, Damian
World Burn Regina, Ensemble
I'd Rather Be MeJanis, Students, Ensemble
I'd Rather Be Me (Tag)Janis, Ensemble
Do This Thing Cady, Ms. Norbury, Kevin G, Mathletes
I See StarsCady, Janis, Plastics, Damian, Ms. Norbury, Students, Ensemble, Dancers

#### The Cast

CadyBailea Benjamin*	• •
JanisSabrina Harvey-Cı	
DamianAaron	
ReginaDelayne Hengesl	oach*^, Lilly Pettit**
GretchenLacy Baker*	
Karen Aubrie Parisl	h*^, Mia Sanchez**^
AaronXander Lie	eb*, AJ Parseghian**
Ms. Norbury	Quinn Thelen^
Kevin G	
Mr. Duvall	Brianna Craig
Mr. Heron/Coach Carr/Mr. Buck	Aidyn Lieb
Mrs. George/French Teacher	Emily Wise
Mrs. Heron/Mathlete Moderator	
Students	
Shane O	Kaiden Schulze
Taylor W	Reann Thelen
Caitlyn C	Lillian Robertson
Sonja A	Keely Ackerman
Dawn S	Isla Morris
Grace A	Lissie Dennis
Jason W	Niklas Carlson
Rachel H	Jillian Spegel
Sophie K	Haley Kunc
Lizzie T	Ashlyn Gee
Martin	Ty Herald
Tyler K	Drew Walters
Glen C	
Caroline K	Sandra Bratschi

<sup>\*</sup> Blue Cast \*\* Gold Cast

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#### **Dancers**

Lucy Clark, Jamemah Dos-Reis, Savannah Grosshans, Aleigh Lasky-Hoffman, Sophia Long, Tessa McClung^, Asher McFadden, Nora Niewenhuis^, Kiana Ruvalo, Jossalyn Sanchez

#### Ensemble

Jennelle Aboagye, Rylie Anderson, Austin Brown, Zoey Call, Finleigh Davis, Olivia Dean, Judah Deaton, Lynn Gude, Izzy Hurth, Anastazia LaGarde, JJ Mauze, Faith McLaren, Caleb Merrill, Eleni Parish, Audrey Sefton, Inderpreet Singh, Brynn Thiede, Taylor Tweddle, Savannah Wright

#### Tech Crew

Stage Left Manager	Jensen Price^
Stage Right Manager	Roman Howard/Van Thompson
Light Technicians	Will Barger, Lillian Smith
Sound Technicians	Caelan Marsh, Bella Perez
Spot Light Operators	Izzie Holmes, Paige Waterman
Stage Crew	Joshua Batterham, Natalia Carpenter,
-	Anna Goucher, Evan Rodgers



#### Special Thanks

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Joel & Patty Sanchez
Harmony Brown, Izzy Guadard, Akira Laing, Lillian Pettit
Richie Gregory

Extra special thanks to our guest choreographers and GL Musicals alumni, **Travis Hunt and Collin Smith.** You are both so talented and we appreciate you sharing your artistic vision with the next generation of GL Musicals!

A huge shout out to the Grand Ledge High School Administration for your continued support of our program and to all of the amazing parents and family members who helped with everything from crafts to food to painting and more. We couldn't produce this show without you!

#### Pit Orchestra

Bass	Elyse Gray
Drums	Brendan Betyn
Guitar 1	Yoshi Fukagawa
Guitar 2	Kenny Bedwell
Trombone	Savannah Harris
Keyboard 1	Mary Rodeck
Varband 2	David Wandalhansan
Keyboard 2	David wenderberger
Percussion	
•	Michael Giunta
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#### Musical Synopsis

#### Act One

Janis Sarkisian and Damian Hubbard introduce the audience to Cady Heron, breaking the fourth wall and inviting them on their journey. Cady and her parents have moved to a Chicago suburb from Kenya, Africa but Cady soon realizes that her high school classmates do not readily accept others who differ from them. Janis and Damian decide to help her find her social group; describing the clique of high school social royalty dubbed "the Plastics" in particular. The trio consists of Regina George, the "Queen Bee"; Gretchen Wieners, and Karen Smith. Regina and her fellow Plastics decide that the new girl will eat lunch with them for the rest of the week. Damian and Janis tell her to do it and tell them everything that is said.

In AP Calculus, Cady meets Aaron Samuels, Regina's ex, and immediately falls for him. Kevin, head of the Mathletes, is impressed with Cady's performance in class and asks her to join them, but Gretchen warns Cady that joining the Mathletes is social suicide and Regina makes him leave. Cady thinks Regina is nice for "protecting" her, but Janis warns her that Regina is dangerous. Amazed by her newfound power, Cady does not pay attention to Janis's words. At the mall, Gretchen asks Cady if she has met any boys she likes. When Cady tells her about Aaron, Gretchen becomes horrified because he is off-limits to Regina's friends. The Plastics and Cady retire to Regina's house, where they meet her "cool mom" and Gretchen and Karen show Cady their old Burn Book, where they put photos of their classmates and write mean comments about them. When they come across Janis' photo in the book, Gretchen explains that she and Regina used to be best friends. Regina claims Janis freaked out when she was unable to invite her to her thirteenth birthday party and ended up in art therapy. Later, Gretchen confides in Cady that she has no confidence because of Regina.

The next day, Aaron discusses his bad relationship with Regina and that he has sworn off dating. Cady believes that if she acts stupid, Aaron will help her with her work, and therefore talk to her more. After using this tactic, Aaron invites Cady to his Halloween party. Karen explains that in high school, Halloween revolves around looking sexy and having a hot costume. Cady fails to realize this and shows up at the party in a "scary" costume, embarrassing herself. Later at the party, Gretchen tells Regina about Cady's crush on Aaron to get her approval. Spitefully, Regina decides to flirt with and manipulate Aaron until he agrees to get back together with her. Cady sees Aaron kissing Regina and is devastated.

Furious, Cady shows up at Damian's house and tells him and Janis what happened. Damian tells Cady that the real reason Regina and Janis stopped being friends was that Regina accused Janis of being a lesbian. When the latter was unable to deny it, her classmates bullied her until she left school. The three friends decide to work together to get revenge on Regina, starting with giving her Kälteen Bars to make her gain weight and causing chaos amongst the Plastics. After the Plastics' disastrous "Rockin' Around the Pole" dance at the school talent show, people start noticing Regina's weight gain. Later, when she breaks one of the Plastics' arbitrary clothing rules, Cady

stands up to her, banning her from sitting at their table. Everyone is relieved to be freed from Regina's rule, but Regina insinuates that her reign is not over.

#### Act Two

Following the winter break, Cady has undergone a complete makeover befitting of her new "Queen Bee" status leading Karen and Gretchen, though Damian and Janis disapprove of this. After Cady tells Janis that she cannot attend her art show because of a trip with her parents, Damian and the other girls of North Shore High School try to hamper Cady's ever-growing social obsessions and make her stop acting dumb for Aaron. Gretchen and Karen convince Cady to lie to her parents and throw a "small" party while they are gone that weekend. Gretchen starts to notice similarities between her friendship with Regina and Cady while Mrs. George wonders why her daughter refuses to confide in her. Concurrently, Gretchen contemplates being friends with Cady.

Following Gretchen and Karen's advice, Cady throws a party in an attempt to get Aaron to come over. However, she becomes intoxicated and crazier. Cady tells Aaron the "funny" story about how she pretended that she was dumb to make him like her. Aaron becomes upset and says he liked the smart and kind Cady, not her new Plastic self. He leaves and she chases after him but runs into Janis and Damian outside. They tell Cady that she betrayed their trust, lied to them, and has gone full Plastic. Cady accuses Janis of being in love with her, just as Regina did years ago. Janis and Damian are disgusted by Cady's behavior.

When Regina discovers that she was not invited to Cady's party and that the Kälteen Bars were the cause of her weight gain, she decides to get revenge by releasing the Burn Book after adding "Regina is a Fugly Cow" to it in order to take the blame off of herself. She throws copies of the Burn Book pages all over the school, revealing the insults about everyone they know, except Karen, Gretchen, and Cady. All of the junior class girls begin fighting over the insults. Janis and Damian see an insult in the book that only Cady could have written. At a required assembly about the Burn Book, Ms. Norbury tries to bring the girls together. Janis explains her philosophy to the school, referencing her failed friendships with both Cady and Regina; empowering the girls to stand up for themselves. When Regina storms out in anger and disbelief, Cady tries to apologize, but the former Plastic gets distracted and hit by a passing school bus.

The accident prompts Cady to reevaluate herself and realize what a monster she has become. After learning Ms. Norbury was about to be fired due to the things she wrote, Cady takes full blame for the Burn Book, despite not having written the entire thing herself. She is suspended for three weeks and banned from the Spring Fling. When Cady returns to school, Ms. Norbury offers her a way to earn extra credit and save her grade: joining the Mathletes at the state championships. After a team win and congratulations from Aaron, Cady sneaks into the Spring Fling where she reconciles with Regina

Cady is elected Spring Fling Queen. She breaks it into several pieces and gives them to each girl in attendance - telling them they are all "real, and rare." She apologizes to Janis and Damian, and they move forward as friends once more. Cady, Damian, Janis, Gretchen, Karen, Aaron, and Regina join together, finally accepting each other.



Jennelle Aboagye



Keely Ackerman



Aaron Almy



Rylie Anderson



Lacy Baker



William Barger



Bailea Benjamin

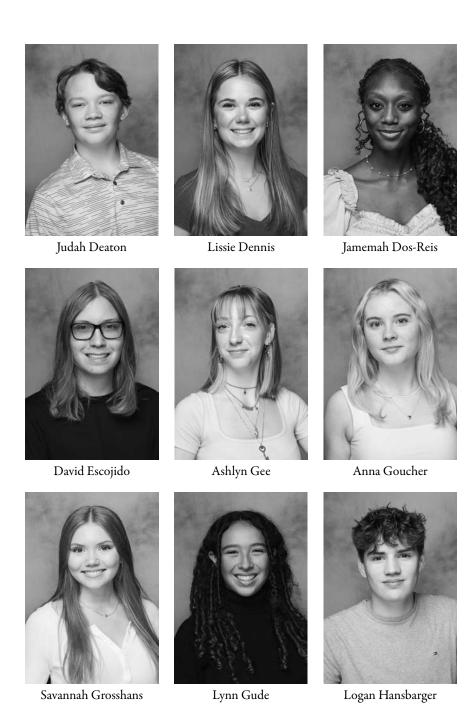


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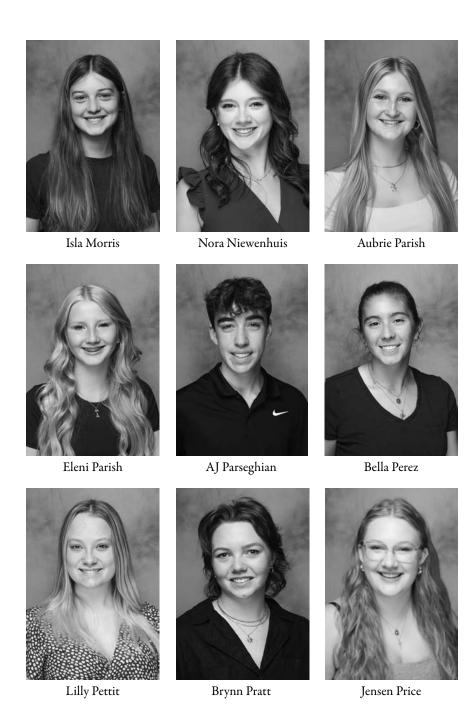


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Delayne,



This is so surreal that this is your senior year musical production! You have been a part of the GLHS musicals since you were 5 years old.

Watching you grow in your confidence and talent has been so rewarding and inspirational. You have always had a stage presence, but now it goes far beyond that. You have the ability to transform and make the audience feel and experience something magical. We are all so excited to see where your journey takes you! We will always be in your corner, cheering the loudest!



We love you and are so proud of you, Mom, Jeff, Ashton, Jonah, Liv, Brittany, Papa, Mema, and Bert









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Aaron,

You shined in *Little Mermaid*, under the sea,
dancing and singing. Now
is the time to take
Damian to new heights!

"She doesn't even go here!"

We love you so much~ Mom, Dad, & Gianna





Brynn,

Remember to raise your right finger and solemnly swear that no matter what, you'll always stay true to who you are!

We are so proud of you!

Love, Your Family





To our amazing Mia, on your senior year show...

You are talented, determined, graceful, and so hardworking.

We are very proud of all you've accomplished and can't wait to see what the future holds!

We love you so much! Break a leg as Karen!



## Congratulations to the entire cast and crew!



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#### Tessa,

From your first musical (Peter Pan) to your last (Mean Girls) we have enjoyed watching you do what you love, dancing on stage! We are so proud of all you continue to accomplish and know you will do great things in the future.

Love you! Mom, Dad, Jerry & Family

#### Quinn Mirabelle,

You bring us so much joy when we watch you perform on stage. We love seeing your personality - your smile, your laugh, your sense of humor, and hearing you sing are so totally Fetch. We are so proud of all the hard work you put into each show from Wizard of Oz to Mean Girls. Enjoy your senior year on stage:)

We Love you! Mom and Dad





To our wonderful Joss...

You have grown so much since your days as a Peter Pan fairy dancer, and we are so proud of the beautiful dancer you've become!

We love you tons! Break a leg!





Abigail & Sophia,

Thank you for putting a smile on my face every single morning. I'm so proud of you both!

Love, Your School Mom

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AJ,

We are so proud of you and think you are **so fetch!** But sorry, you can't sit with us! (We think you're **REALLY** great!)

Love, Mom, Dad, and CASHY!





We love you Kiana! Watching you dance fills our hearts with joy. Your passion lights up the stage and you're our shining star. You're the definition of fetch, and we're making it happen!

Love Mom, Dad, Brody, & Vivi





We are so proud of you, Lacy!
Watching you shine on stage
year after year has brought us
so much joy. Your passion,
hard work, and talent are truly
inspiring, and we are
incredibly proud of the person
and performer you've become.
We can't wait to see what's
next in your journey!

Love always, Mom and Dad

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#### Jocelyn,

You started as an eager munchkin in Oz which set you off on a magical theatrical journey. It has been an absolute joy seeing the places you've been on stage, including a chocolate factory, college, high school, the Greek Isles, into the woods, under the sea and now right back to high school as a Mean Girl seeing stars. No matter where your journey takes you next, we know it will be so fetch!

Love, Mom, Dad, and Colin













#### Congratulations on being a Senior and in your 6th Grand Ledge High School Musical, Nora Ann!



#### ₹ We are excited to see you dance again in "Mean Girls"! ₹













Legally Blonde '21 High School Musical '22 Mama Mia'22

We love you....Mom, Dad, Kaylie, Cameron.... Nana & Papa... Uncle Kjel, Aunt Jackie, Claira, Jacob, Chloe...

Uncle Aaron, Aunt Beth, Frejya, Thor and Yzma!

#### Lilly,

We are so proud of you, and can't wait to see what you accomplish next! Keep being the best person you can be! You are so Fetch.

Love, Mom and Matt







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#### Personals

#### Jocelyn,

"Mean Girl" you are not! Congratulations on your current role as Cady! We know you will do your finest performance.

Love, Grandma and Grandpa Snitgen

#### Jocelyn,

Congrats on your incredible acting journey! From your youthful early roles to now as Cady, your growth is inspiring. We're both so proud of your hard work, talent, and dedication! Keep shining!

Love, Grandma May & Drandpa Lowel

#### Lissie.

We are so proud of you and love watching you perform! Love, Papa and Grammy

#### Emily,

We are so proud of all you have accomplished! Let your light shine! Love Grandma Colette and Poppa Terry

#### Dear Emily,

You are more than my daughter; you are my sunshine, my moonlight, and all of my stars! You make me so proud!

Love always, Mom



"First, think. Second, dream.
Third, believe. And finally, dare."

– Walt Disney

#### Faith.

Watching you grow and become an amazing young woman is one of our greatest joys. We cannot wait to see where life

takes you next!

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Lissie, we are so proud of you and love watching you perform. Limits truly do not exist for you! Keep shining on stage and reaching for your dreams!

Love, Mom, Dad, Braden, Conner & Parker

# Congratulations to Sheri Petersen

for your work on your 25th and final musical theatre production at Grand Ledge High School.

Thank you for sharing your love of music with so many students and audiences over the years. You will be missed!







#### Grand Ledge High School Past Musicals

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Little Mary Sunshine	1971	The Music Man	2002
Oklahoma	1972	The Sound of Music	2003
The Music Man	1973	Les Misérables	2004
The Sound of Music	1974	Guys and Dolls	2004
The Fantastics	1974	The Secret Garden	2005
You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown	1975	Fiddler on the Roof	2005
Kiss Me Kate	1976	Beauty and the Beast	2006
Bye Bye Birdie	1976	Camelot	2006
Brigadoon	1977	Kiss Me, Kate	2007
Camelot	1977	Brigadoon	2007
Fiddler on the Roof	1978	The Secret Garden	2008
Once Upon a Mattress	1979	Footloose	2008
Little Mary Sunshine	1980	A Christmas Carol	2009
Guys and Dolls	1980	West Side Story	2010
My Fair Lady	1981	Bye Bye Birdie	2011
Carousel	1982	The Phantom of the Opera	2012
Godspell	1983	White Christmas	2012
Hello Dolly	1983	Les Misérables	2013
The Sound of Music	1984	Beauty and the Beast	2013
South Pacific	1985	Grease	2014
Oklahoma	1986	The Wizard of Oz	2015
The Music Man	1987	Mary Poppins	2015
Godspell	1988	Little Shop of Horrors	2016
Brigadoon	1988	Shrek the Musical	2016
Once Upon A Mattress	1989	You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown	2017
Annie	1990	Peter Pan	2017
The Sound of Music	1991	Spelling Bee	2018
Little Mary Sunshine	1992	Newsies	2018
Anything Goes	1993	Lion King, Jr.	2019
The Music Man	1994	White Christmas	2019
Camelot	1995	A Killer Party	2021
Fiddler on the Roof	1996	Spelling Bee	2021
Godspell	1997	Legally Blonde	2021
Brigadoon	1997	High School Musical	2022
Anything Goes	1998	Mamma Mia!	2022
Oklahoma	1999	Into the Woods	2023
South Pacific	2000	The Little Mermaid	2023
Hello Dolly	2001		
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